110TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

H. RES. 1518

Honoring the Wings Over Houston Airshow for advancing the appreciation and understanding of the United States Armed Forces, the City of Houston, Texas, and Ellington Field.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 28, 2008

Mr. Lampson (for himself, Mr. Ortiz, Mr. Reyes, Mr. Gene Green of Texas, Mr. Al Green of Texas, Ms. Jackson-Lee of Texas, Mr. Poe, Mr. McCaul of Texas, Mr. Brady of Texas, Mr. Edwards of Texas, Mr. Culberson, Mr. Cardoza, Mr. Boyd of Florida, Mr. Ellsworth, Mr. Hall of Texas, Mr. Shuler, Mr. Paul, Mr. Sam Johnson of Texas, Mr. Rodriguez, Mr. Cuellar, and Mr. Doggett) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on Armed Services

RESOLUTION

Honoring the Wings Over Houston Airshow for advancing the appreciation and understanding of the United States Armed Forces, the City of Houston, Texas, and Ellington Field.

Whereas for 24 years the all-volunteer Gulf Coast Wing and West Houston Squadron of the Commemorative Air Force has performed in the Wings Over Houston Airshow at Ellington Field in Houston, Texas;

Whereas in 2008, the United States Air Force Thunderbirds are scheduled to perform in the featured act and have

- represented more than 500,000 Airmen, National Guardsmen, and Reservists worldwide in 55 years of service;
- Whereas the Wings Over Houston Airshow has been rated as one of the top events of its kind in the Nation;
- Whereas tens of thousands of people from southeast Texas and all over the United States attend the event each year and experience the unique opportunity to see the United States Air Force, Navy, Marines, and Coast Guard perform and to meet service members of the past and present;
- Whereas the Wings Over Houston Airshow has helped to increase awareness and appreciation for the United States Armed Forces and its active duty members and veterans;
- Whereas the Wings Over Houston Airshow serves to promote an understanding and appreciation of military history through the reenactment of battles and the acquisition, restoration, and display of vintage aircraft;
- Whereas throughout its history, Wings Over Houston Airshow has benefitted local and national charities, including the Wings Over Houston Airshow Scholarship Program, the Aviation Career Education (ACE) Summer Academy for high school juniors and seniors interested in aviation, the Exchange Club of Sugar Land, and the Commemorative Air Force aircraft restoration and flying historical programs;
- Whereas the Wings Over Houston Airshow and its partners, including the Lone Star Flight Museum, the Houston Airport System, the Clear Lake Area Chamber of Commerce, the Bay Area Houston Convention and Visitors Bureau, the Greater Houston Convention and Visitors

Bureau, Destination League City, and the cities of Houston, Kemah, Nassau Bay, Seabrook, and Webster, have contributed to the economy and growth of southeast Texas; and

Whereas the Wings Over Houston Scholarship Program continues to promote the importance of math and science education by helping southeast Texas students pursue college educations in the critical fields of aviation and aerospace: Now, therefore, be it

- 1 Resolved, That the House of Representatives honors
- 2 the Wings Over Houston Airshow for advancing the appre-
- 3 ciation and understanding of the United States Armed
- 4 Forces, the City of Houston, Texas, and Ellington Field.

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